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For: NOVEL METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION
OF POLYUNSATURATED FATTY ACIDS

Examiner: ZHENG, LI

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This communication is in response to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed March 7, 2007. Applicants hereby provisionally elect, with traverse, the species according to the following:

R¹ of claim 1 is a residue of the general formula II in claim 1,

R² of claim 1 is unsaturated C2-C24-alkylcarbonyl,

R³ of claim 1 is unsaturated C2-C24-alkylcarbonyl,

n of claim 1 is 3,

m of claim 1 is 4,

p of claim 1 is 3, and

The plant of claim 7 is rapeseed.

This election is without prejudice or disclaimer as to all pending species. Of the elected claims 1-9, all are readable on the above species.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.